



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Rock Hill High School  
YORK 3 - ROCK HILL  
Grades: 9-12 Enrollment: 1,999  
Principal: Arthur W. Ahl II  
Superintendent: Mr. John Taylor, Interim  
Board Chair: Jim Vining

PERFORMANCE		Comprehensive detail, including definitions of ratings, performance criteria, and explanations of status, is available on <a href="http://www.ed.sc.gov">www.ed.sc.gov</a> and <a href="http://www.eoc.sc.gov">www.eoc.sc.gov</a> as well as school and school district websites. Printed versions are available from school districts upon request.					
YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM		
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator	
2014	Good	Below Average	TBD	TBD	C	N/A	
2013	Good	Below Average	N/A	N/A	D	N/A	
2012	Good	Below Average	N/A	N/A	C	N/A	

ABSOLUTE RATING OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*				
EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
23	9	1	0	1

\* Ratings are calculated with data available by 04/27/2015. Schools with Students Like Ours with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.

HIGH SCHOOL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM(HSAP) EXAM PASSAGE RATE(%): SECOND YEAR STUDENTS				
	Our High School		High Schools with Students Like Ours	
	2013	2014	2013	2014
Passed 2 subtests (%)	78.8%	77.7%	84.9%	80.3%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	13.8%	14.4%	10.0%	13.5%
Passed no subtests (%)	7.5%	7.9%	5.6%	6.8%

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2014		
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	93.7%	93.2%

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE		
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of students	486	319
Number of diplomas	386	255
Rate (%)	79.4%	80.8%

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2014		
% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	85.4%	85.2%
English 1	71.3%	75.3%
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	79.6%	82.3%
US History and the Constitution	66.3%	70.1%
All Tests	75.4%	78.4%



**SC PERFORMANCE VISION**

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
Students (n = 1,999)				
Retention Rate	2.9%	Down from 4.5%	1.8%	3.0%
Attendance Rate	95.0%	Up from 93.5%	96.2%	96.2%
Served by gifted and talented program	19.6%	Up from 17.3%	23.2%	17.7%
With disabilities	14.5%	No change	11.0%	11.5%
Older than usual for grade	5.9%	Down from 6.2%	6.0%	7.1%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	4.3%	Down from 6.0%	1.4%	1.1%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	20.0%	Down from 23.5%	21.3%	15.4%
Successful on AP/IB exams	47.8%	Down from 57.5%	48.8%	52.8%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	30.2%	Down from 30.3%	39.3%	30.6%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	3.5%	Down from 6.4%	4.4%	5.3%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	1040	No change	538	423
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	87.4%	Down from 90.7%	84.9%	84.5%
Annual dropout rate	2.9%	Down from 4.1%	2.6%	2.1%
Teachers (n = 111)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	69.4%	Down from 71.6%	66.4%	64.3%
Continuing contract teachers	75.7%	Down from 78.0%	84.0%	77.3%
Teachers returning from previous year	85.8%	Down from 88.5%	88.3%	85.5%
Teacher attendance rate	95.9%	Down from 96.1%	95.5%	95.5%
Average teacher salary*	\$51,100	Down 0.8%	\$50,197	\$48,414
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	1.7%	Up from 1.0%	1.4%	3.0%
Professional development days/teacher	17.8 days	Up from 3.1 days	10.5 days	10.0 days
School				
Principal's years at school	3.5	Up from 2.5	4.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	34.5 to 1	Up from 32.4 to 1	28.4 to 1	26.0 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.9%	Up from 88.5%	90.5%	90.3%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,009	Down 7.1%	\$7,661	\$8,238
Percent expenditures for teacher salaries**	62.0%	No change	57.9%	56.9%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	62.8%	Down from 64.0%	59.1%	58.0%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No change	Excellent	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	96.6%	Up from 93.9%	98.3%	98.7%
Character development program	Excellent	Up from Good	Good	Good
ESEA composite index score	77.8	Up from 68.1	89.4	84.1

\* Length of contract = 185+ days.  
\*\*Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	119	1645	35
Percent satisfied with learning environment	92.4%	69.4%	85.7%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	95.8%	71.1%	80.0%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	80.5%	80.4%	75.0%

\* Only eleventh grade students and their parents were included. For schools without grade eleven, only the highest grade was included.

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL  
IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The Rock Hill High School faculty and staff continued to set high expectations for all students this year in academics, the arts, athletics, character, extra-curricular activities, and community involvement. This past year we had 19 students graduate with highest honors, 27 with honors, and 92 students to receive a gold seal diploma. Eighty-two students were CATE completers, and 13 seniors attempted to earn an International Baccalaureate diploma. Out of 424 graduating seniors, 145 earned LIFE or Palmetto Fellows scholarships. The grand total of all scholarships offered to graduates was \$8 91million dollars.

In the arts, students earned 71 individual recognitions. Students performed in All State choral, orchestral, and band instrumental ensembles, and competed in Visual Arts and Drama showcases. The Band of Distinction came in third place in the state 4A marching band competition and received the SC Band Directors Association's Outstanding Performance Award for the 16th consecutive year. Our chorus was named the 4A State Champions at the SC Choral Festival, and 19 members were selected for the SC All-State Chorus. Our Drama Department received 3 Superior ratings at the Palmetto Dramatic Association/SC Thespian Festival, and a student won the SC State Chapter of the International Thespian Society Acting Scholarship. The Chamber Orchestra and the Concert Orchestra participated in the SCMEA Orchestra Division's 2014 Concert Festival, earning excellent ratings. Two students were selected for the Region 1 Honors Orchestra and one was named All-State. In extra-curricular activities, our ROTC won the Outstanding Unit Award and 23 cadets earned national awards. Five hundred eighteen students competed on school athletic teams, and many of our teams and individual athletes won district, region and state honors. Thirty-nine seniors were named scholar athletes, 9 individual athletes made state tournaments representing tennis, swim and track, and 15 signed to play college sports. The wrestling team won the 4A Duel Wrestling State Championship and had Individual State Champion. The volleyball and wrestling teams were named Region Champions. The baseball team reached the Upper State finals. We had 38 All-Region athletes and 8 All-State athletes representing volleyball, cross-country, wrestling and baseball.

All faculty and staff continued to focus on improving students' achievement on End of Course, HSAP, and SAT testing and will continue to work with students to provide the best education possible. EOC scores improved in Biology, Algebra and History. Teacher professional development focused on the six shifts in the Common Core State Standards. The Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports program continued this year to improve school climate and character education at RHHS. By the end of the school year students had been recognized with 2854 Bearcats Bucks for showing Bearcat PRIDE (Participation, Respect, Integrity, Dedication, & Excellence). We hope to give out even more next school year!

Patrick Grimsle SIC Chair

Arthur W.Ahl II, Principal